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Before the Examiner: D. Nguyen

Group Art Unit: 1632

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached papers for the above-described patent application:  
Response to Restriction Requirement and return postcard.
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Respectfully submitted,  
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND AMENDMENT**

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed December 17, 2002, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks.

**AMENDMENTS**

The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the following amendments.

**In the Claims:**

Please amend the following claims:

E1 2. (Amended) A recombinant host cell comprising a nucleic acid molecule comprising the nucleotide sequence of any of Claims 1, 39, or 40.

E2 8. (Amended) A vector comprising the nucleic acid molecule of Claims 1, 39, or 40.

Please cancel claim 47 without prejudice or disclaimer.